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Subject: Waste Rock Disposal Site Subsoil Pile As-Built Drawings, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, Sufco Mine, C/041/0002, Task #4327

Dear Mr. May:

The Division has reviewed your application for approval of the as-built drawings for the Waste Rock Disposal Site at the Sufco Mine. The Division has identified deficiencies that must be addressed before final approval can be granted. The deficiencies are listed as an attachment to this letter.

The initials of the deficiencies authors are provided so that your staff can communicate directly with that individual should questions arise. The plans as submitted are denied. Please resubmit the entire application by no later than June 21, 2013.

If you have any questions, please call me at (801) 538-5325.

Sincerely,

Daron R. Haddock
Coal Program Manager

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Deficiency List
Task No. 4327
Waste Rock Disposal Site As-Built Drawings

Members of the review team included:

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R645-301-231.400, The narrative states that one topsoil stockpile at the waste rock site is dedicated to the mine site. It formerly held 56 yd.³ and now holds only 8.2 yd.³ of topsoil material. This statement should be verified, as the Division believes that the 56 yd.³ topsoil refers to the sedimentation pond stockpile. In addition the total volume provided for three topsoil stockpiles: 1B, 2, &3, should be re-evaluated, as the total volume stated is less than what was formerly described in topsoil stockpile 1B alone. Topsoil pile 1A location should be outlined on Map 4 and the volume of topsoil stockpile 1A should be stated in the narrative (PB).

R645-301-233.100, Please update Volume 1, Chapter 2, page 2-20, last paragraph, to include the 11,364 yd.³ of subsoil available at the waste rock site for final reclamation of the 17.4 acre East Spring Canyon facilities pad site (PB).

R645-301-233.300, Please provide suitability analysis for the excess spoil which supported its placement in either the subsoil stockpile or the waste rock pile at the waste rock site. Testing of the fill as it is excavated was anticipated and described in Section 2.2.4 and Section 2.3.3.2 and was referred to in the cover letter with the approved West Lease portal tunnel development, Task 3780 (PB).